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In the claims:

Please cancel claims 6-11 without prejudice.

1. (PREVIOUSLY AMENDED)

A method of raising the blood sugar level in a mammal having hypoglycemia by reducing degradation of glucagon, said method comprising administering to said mammal a therapeutically effective amount of an effector for-reducing enzymatic activity of dipeptidyl peptidase (DP IV) and BP IV analogous enzymes.

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- 3. (PREVIOUSLY AMENDED) The method of claim 1, wherein the effector is selected from the group consisting of DP IV enzyme inhibitors, substrates of DP IV, pseudo-substrates of DP IV, inhibitors of DP IV expression, proteins that bind DP IV or antibodies to DP IV and combinations thereof.
- 4. (PREVIOUSLY AMENDED) The method of claim 1, wherein the effector for reducing enzymatic activity is employed together with glucagon or analogues thereof.
- 5. (PREVIOUSLY AMENDED) The method of claim 1, wherein the effector for reducing enzymatic activity is employed in combination with physiologically acceptable adjuvants and/or excipients.
- 6. (CANCELLED) A method of raising the blood sugar level in a mammal having hypoglycemia by A method for stimulating endogenous glucose production via glucagon stabilization in a mammal comprising the step of administering to said mammal a therapeutically effective amount of Dipeptidyl peptidase IV inhibitor in a pharmaceutically acceptable preparation for reducing in said mammal the enzymatic activity of endogenous DP IV and thereby reducing degradation of glucagon.

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- 7. (CANCELLED) A method of raising the blood sugar level in a mammal having hypoglycemia by reducing degradation of glucagon, said method comprising administering to-said mammal a therapeutically effective amount of a compound having a means for modulating influencing enzymatic activity of dipeptidyl peptidase (DP IV) and DP IV-analogous enzymes.
- 8. (CANCELLED) The method of claim 7, wherein the blood sugar level in the serum of mammalian organism is raised above the glucose concentration characteristic of hypoglycemia.
- 9 (CANCELLED) The method of claim 1, wherein said compound is selected from the group consisting of DP IV enzyme inhibitors, substrates of DP IV, pseudo-substrates of DP IV, inhibitors of DP IV expression, proteins that bind DP IV or antibodies to DP IV and combinations thereof.
- 10. (CANCELLED) The method of claim 7, wherein said means for modulating influencing enzymatic activity is employed together with glucagon or analogues thereof.
- 11. (CANCELLED) The method of claim 7, wherein said means for modulating influencing enzymatic activity is employed in combination with physiologically acceptable adjuvants and/or excipients.